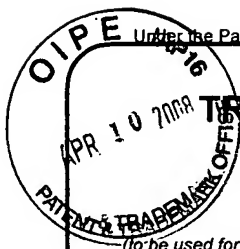


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REQUEST FOR INTERFERENCE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 41.202

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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby requests the declaration of an interference pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 41.202 with U.S. Patent No. 6,758,148 ("the '148 patent") by Torrey et al. Claim 19 of the instant application corresponds substantially to claim 14 of the '148 patent within the meaning of 37 C.F.R. § 41.203(a).

Applicant proposes the following count:

Count 1

A pallet in accordance with claim 14 of the '148 patent or claim 19 of the instant application.

The claims of the parties are:

Torrey: 14

Muirhead: 19

The claims of the parties which do not correspond to Count 1, and therefore are not involved in the interference, are:

Torrey: 1-13 and 15-21

Muirhead: 1-18 and 20-27

Applicant is likely to prevail in an interference because Applicant is the senior party. The instant application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/803,681 ("the '681 application") filed on March 12, 2001, now U.S. Patent No. 6,718,888, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/196,127, filed on April 11, 2000. The '148 patent was filed on October 26, 2001.

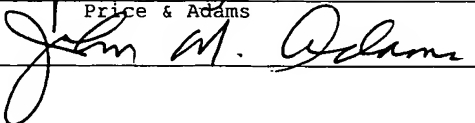
The written description for the '681 application supports claim 19 in the instant application, as indicated by the attached claim chart.

For the foregoing reasons and the attached evidence, it is believed that an interference should be declared with the '148 patent.

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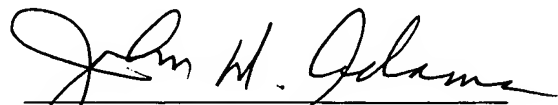
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Claim 19 of U.S. Patent Application No. 10/798,932	Written Description in U.S. Patent Publication No. 2001/0029874 (Corresponds to U.S. Patent Application No. 09/803,681).
A fire resistant pallet comprising:	See e.g. Paragraph No. 82.
a pallet assembly; and	See e.g. Paragraph No. 82.
a fire resistant layer formed upon an exterior of said pallet assembly.	See e.g. Paragraph No. 82.